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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Patent Application of
Takemori Takayama et al.

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For: COPPER BASED SINTERED CONTACT MATERIAL AND DOUBLE-LAYERED
SINTERED CONTACT MEMBER

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Preliminary Amendment, filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination, also serves as a full and timely response to the Final Office Action dated February 8, 2006. Prior to continued examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.